UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA ABDUL HOWARD, Case No. 2:20-cv-01534-JAD-VCF **Plaintiff** ORDER ٧. ARAMARK, et al., **Defendants** I. **DISCUSSION** 

On August 19, 2020, Plaintiff, an inmate in the custody of the Clark County Detention Center ("CCDC"), submitted a civil rights complaint under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. (ECF No. 1-1). Plaintiff has neither paid the full \$400 filing fee for this matter nor filed an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* with complete financial attachments. The Court notes that Plaintiff attached a previous *in forma pauperis* application as Exhibit 11 to his complaint at ECF No. 1-1, pages 64-69, however, Plaintiff must submit a <u>current</u> application to proceed *in forma pauperis*, together with the required financial attachments, for the Court's consideration.

Under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2) and Local Rule LSR 1-2, an inmate seeking to begin a civil action in this Court may apply to proceed *in forma pauperis* in order to file the civil action without prepaying the full \$400 filing fee. To apply for *in forma pauperis* status, the inmate must submit <u>all three</u> of the following documents to the Court:

- (1) a completed <u>Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis for Inmate</u>, this Court's approved form (i.e. pages 1 through 3 with the inmate's two signatures on page 3),
- (2) a <u>Financial Certificate</u> properly signed by both the inmate and a prison or jail official (i.e. page 4 of this Court's approved form), and
- (3) a copy of the <u>inmate's prison or jail trust fund account statement for the</u> <u>previous six-month period</u>. If Plaintiff has not been at the facility a full six-month period,

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Plaintiff must still submit an inmate account statement for the dates he has been present at the facility.

The Court will grant Plaintiff a one-time opportunity to file a fully complete application to proceed in forma pauperis containing all three of the required documents, or in the alternative, pay the full \$400 filing fee for this action on or before **October 20**, **2020**. Absent unusual circumstances, the Court will not grant any further extensions of time. If Plaintiff is unable to file a fully complete application to proceed in forma pauperis with all three required documents or pay the full \$400 filing fee on or before October 20, **2020**, the Court will dismiss this case without prejudice for Plaintiff to file a new case with the Court when Plaintiff is either able to acquire all three of the documents needed to file a fully complete application to proceed in forma pauperis or pays the full \$400 filing fee.

A dismissal without prejudice means Plaintiff does not give up the right to refile the case with the Court, under a new case number, when Plaintiff has all three documents needed to submit with an application to proceed in forma pauperis. Alternatively, Plaintiff may choose not to file an application to proceed in forma pauperis and instead pay the full filing fee of \$400 on or before **October 20, 2020** to proceed with this case.

The Court will retain Plaintiff's civil rights complaint (ECF No. 1-1), but the Court will not file the complaint unless and until Plaintiff timely files a fully complete application to proceed in forma pauperis with all three documents or pays the full \$400 filing fee.

## II. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, IT IS ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court will send Plaintiff the approved form application to proceed in forma pauperis by an inmate, as well as the document entitled information and instructions for filing an in forma pauperis application.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that on or before **October 20, 2020**, Plaintiff will either pay the full \$400 filing fee for a civil action (which includes the \$350 filing fee and the \$50 administrative fee) or file with the Court:

(1) a completed **Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis for Inmate** on this

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1	Court's approved form (i.e. pages 1 through 3 of the form with the inmate's two
2	signatures on page 3),
3	(2) a Financial Certificate properly signed by both the inmate and a prison or jail
4	official (i.e. page 4 of this Court's approved form), and
5	(3) a copy of the inmate's prison or jail trust fund account statement for the
6	previous six-month period. If Plaintiff has not been at the facility a full six-month period,
7	Plaintiff must still submit an inmate account statement for the dates he has been present
8	at the facility.
9	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if Plaintiff does not file a fully complete
10	application to proceed in forma pauperis with all three documents or pay the full \$400
11	filing fee for a civil action on or before October 20, 2020, the Court will dismiss this action
12	without prejudice for Plaintiff to refile the case with the Court, under a new case number,
13	when Plaintiff has all three documents needed to file a complete application to proceed
14	in forma pauperis or pays the full \$400 filing fee.
15	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court will retain the complaint
16	(ECF No.1-1) but will not file it at this time.
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